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SOCIETY RIDERS

IN MUDDY GOING

Amateur Cup Race Today
Slushy Affair.

LIKE TO SEE HARRY PAGE

Wore Monocle While in Steeplechase
Event—All Starters Must Warm
Up to Stop Scandal.

Two more of the sportsmen races which have done so much to put racing in the favor of the social set were offered at Benning this afternoon. These were the Southern Pink Coat Steeplechase and the Amateur Cup. Both events drew fairly respectable fields, while the usual throng of pretty girls and smart looking matrons were on hand upon the lawn to add to the acclaim which is always the meed of the young man who rides the winner.

For the first time in the history of the Amateur Cup, the track stood deep in slushy mud, and of course, the society lady who expected to flaunt home radiant in victory and glistening silks were obliged to face a totally different prospect this afternoon. A mud bath was assured long before the amateur sportsmen went into the saddle.

Washington people like to see Harry Page ride. This Long Island sportsman is a positive novelty. In his last appearance here, he actually rode with his monocle perched at the correct Ascot angle through the steeplechase course and on a bad acting horse, too. Mr. Page is an insistent observer of all "English form" when it comes to race riding. His riding breeches were made of Bombay silk until an accident at Morris Park five years ago and now he wears corded canvases.

Mr. Page is a millionaire who is not obliged to risk his life in earning a living as a steeplechase rider, but he will take as great a chance as anybody, professional or amateur. He has been known to travel from Boston, Mass., to New York, four times in a week in order to participate in the society-patronized steeplechases at Brookline. Harry Page is a member of the Meadowbrook Hunt and a man almost forty years of sporting life endeavor.

The Jockey Club did a good thing yesterday for which congratulations are in order. During the last two meetings at Benning the scandalous and certain unscrupulous owners running their horses "cold" one day and "warm" next day was frequently heard. It was a mean "knock" on the turf. Yesterday an official order appointed D. A. Bertrand "superintendent of the paddock." The duty of this official hereafter will be to see that every horse in a race gets a suitable and proper warm-up gallop before going on the track for the gruelling ordeal there expected of him.

It appears that certain owners have been sending their horses to the post without having had the customary "warm up" gallop. They are "cold" and with their muscles stiff and their lungs flabby they did not run to best form. Coincidentally with this was the fact that a well defined coterie of book-makers always laid top prices against these horses on such occasions. Of course, on the day these same horses were galloped just before the moment of going to the post, they ran to form. Then the inside ring connections knew that the right thing to do was to refuse money from the bettors, for the afore-said horses were running "warm." The public lost thousands of dollars to the ring on this line of trickery and the appointment of an official to oversee this department of paddock activity will be much appreciated.

The running of Lord of the Vale with and without blinkers is another thing being talked about just now. Because this horse is owned by the chairman of the Jockey Club does not excuse him from coming under the rules and regulations of the course in respect to the change of racing equipment.

Among those reported to have won huge sums on the Benning races is Gus Kahler. He is said to have won all of \$4,300, without including canteen money, transfers, and cigarette coupons. Sleeping on his back, he says, when questioned about the matter, does not injure his health.

JAY GOULD SEEKING TENNIS CUP ABROAD

NEW YORK, April 10.—Not content with having won the national championship at court tennis, young Jay Gould is after new worlds to conquer, and sails this afternoon on the Kron Prinz Wilhelm to cross racquet with the best that Europe can produce at the game.

Young Gould, who is only a boy, has the nerve of a veteran and the skill of a champion. All the Goulds are athletic; even the grandfather of the champion was one of the most active men of his day in the fascinating game of chasing the nimble and elusive dally.

According to Manager Hanlon, Pitcher Willis has no equal in watching the bases when occupied.

STAR AMATEUR AT COLUMBIA



W. J. TRAVIS,

He's One of the Most Important Figures in Big Tournament Beginning Today.

Personal Comment on Men and Things in the Field of Sports

BASEBALL.

Sheridan and Evans will be the umpires in charge of the opening American League game in New York on Saturday next.

"Patsy" Donovan, manager of the Brooklyn club, has been notified by the owners of the team to hold his players in readiness for a game in Brooklyn on next Sunday. So long as semi-professional clubs play in Brooklyn on Sunday, and sell score cards to the spectators, the Brooklyn club considers that it has the same privilege.

At a meeting held in London last night it was decided to form a British baseball association. Although the initiative was taken by professional football clubs, stress was laid on the desirability of fostering the amateur side of the game. It was suggested that the protection of the American National League be sought to prevent the importation of American professionals.

The Philadelphia American League Club and the St. Paul American Association Club have been fined \$20 each by the National Baseball Commission for "covering up" Phil Geler, outfielder, contrary to the rules of the national agreement. It appears that both clubs notified the commission last fall that Geler had been transferred from St. Paul to Philadelphia for "cash in hand paid." Recent development indicated that no cash was exchanged, and that the player was returned to St. Paul.

Mathewson is a great pitcher and a valuable aid to the team, but there is just enough faith in McGraw in New York to believe that even without Matty he could win a National League pennant and probably a world's series.

Gessler, it is said, is to quit the diamond after this season. Gessler ought to know best what he intends doing, but all the same it is harder for the professional ball player to quit the game than it is for him to break into it.

Pitcher McCloskey has been suffering from a sore arm ever since he pitched that game in the rain at Columbia. The big fellow is coming around all right and will be in shape when the regular season opens.

The Phillies have shown woeful weakness at the bat in the series with the Athletics, but they should improve by the time the National League season opens.

It is not very often that baserunners take the liberties when Doolin is catching that the Athletics did Saturday. The Phillies' star backstop showed evidence of want of practice.

Christopher Mathewson's alleged remarks on the Giants' training trip at Columbus, Ohio, that he would beat the Cincinnati in every game that he pitched, the same as last year, has pitched "Matty" did say such a thing, said Hanlon, "he will be badly fooled. I do not believe the Cincinnati will lose as they did last year. With all due respect to Mathewson's ability as a pitcher, he cannot always be invincible."

Deshon, of the Cornell University team, showed pitching ability of a high

order in the game with Niagara University. He struck out thirteen batsmen, shut out his opponents without a hit, had five assists, and made one hit.

The members of the Greater New York team who will play at Lynchburg, Va., today, left Atlanta early yesterday, and they were followed at midnight by the balance of the team under the leadership of Manager Griffith. The two sections will meet at Lynchburg and all will return to New York together.

The Brooklyn Baseball Club start off with the new ticket system which it put into effect late last year. Every purchaser of a ticket will receive a postponed game check.

George LaChance, the old first baseman of the Boston American League team, would rather play in Waterbury, Vt., today, left Atlanta early yesterday, and they were followed at midnight by the balance of the team under the leadership of Manager Griffith. The two sections will meet at Lynchburg and all will return to New York together.

Catcher Connor, whom the New York Americans secured from Newark to help them out last year, will don a Montreal uniform the coming season.

During practice Pitcher Reab, of the Vicksburg, Miss., team was accidentally hit in the face by a bat which slipped from the hands of Pitcher Chevalier, breaking his nose and knocking out several teeth.

"From an artistic standpoint our Southern trip was a success," said Manager Armour, of the Detroit team. "Financially, however, it was a frost. The trip cost about \$2,000, and we received in return from exhibition games \$700."

RACING.

Declarations from the Excelsior Handicap, due Saturday, still are to be announced, but from the statements of trainers, the more prominent horses that will be stricken out include about the same as the Carter Handicap declarations, with Sysonby and Delhi included. The Excelsior is to be run April 27.

The weights for the Southern Steeplechase Handicap, the closing cross-country feature of the meeting, have been announced as follows: Gamecock, 138; Knight of Elway, 158; Pelucia, 153; Red White and Blue, 149; Mr. Grace, 144; Ironheart, 142; Loney Haskell, 135; Harry Patton, 135, and Oleroso, 135.

Hermis, pronounced a hopeless cripple a year ago by the majority of trainers who knew his condition, is surprising horsemen by the progress he is making in his training at the Jamaica track, and a number of close observers who have watched his development this spring now regard him as a sure starter for the Carter Handicap, the event for which he has been taking a special preparation. Hermis worked in harness through the winter, and went into spring training in firm flesh and good condition, and up to date his ailing leg has made every promise of holding good.

NEW YORK, April 10.—When Sammy McGrath fights Clarence Forbes again he will do it over a telephone—if he's wise.

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RHEUMATISM
TROUBLESOME PAINS AND ACHES

While Rheumatism is usually worse in Winter because of the cold and dampness of a changing atmosphere, it is by no means a Winter disease entirely. Persons in whose blood the uric acid, which produces the disease, has collected, feel its troublesome pains and aches all the year round. The cause of Rheumatism is a sour, acid condition of the blood, brought about by the accumulation in the system of refuse matter, which the natural avenues of bodily waste have failed to carry off. This refuse matter coming in contact with the different acids of the body, forms uric acid which is absorbed by the blood and distributed to all parts of the body, and Rheumatism gets possession of the system. Rheumatic persons are almost constant sufferers; the nagging pains in joints and muscles, are ever present under the most favorable climatic conditions, while exposure to dampness or an attack of indigestion will often bring on the severer symptoms even in warm, pleasant weather. Liniments, plasters, lotions, etc., relieve the pain and give the sufferer temporary comfort, but are in no sense curative; because Rheumatism is not a disease that can be rubbed away or drawn out with a plaster. S. S. S. is the best treatment for Rheumatism; it goes down into the blood and attacks the disease at its head, and by neutralizing the acid and driving it out, and building up the thin, sour blood, cures Rheumatism permanently. Being made entirely of roots, herbs and barks, S. S. S. will not injure the system in the least. Book on Rheumatism and any medical advice without charge.

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TO MEET TONIGHT

Wrestling Match to Settle
Old Controversy.

INCENTIVES TO HUSTLE

Loser Will Suffer in Prestige and Future Engagements—Four Preliminaries Carded.

It will be no fair biting or kicking tonight when Joe Grant undertakes to throw Rob Roy Mackey twice in an hour at the Washington Light Infantry Armory.

This match will be the most important held in Washington this season, and will mean much to both men. Grant will have about fourteen or fifteen pounds advantage of Mackey in weight, and if he cannot throw his lighter opponent with comparative ease it will put something of a dent in his reputation, for his friends have maintained that it would be the easiest thing in the world for him to down the voluble and versatile Rob Roy.

Means Money to Mackey.

On the other hand, if Mackey stands Grant off it will be a terrible affliction for the community, as he will undoubtedly talk a large proportion of our citizens into a state of insanity. He has been dreaming and talking about this match so long that if he should win the man with a corner on cornmeal will get all the money not in the Treasury.

Mackey is to meet Alex Swanson in Washington in ten days or two weeks, and it is up to him to make good tonight in order to draw a house for that pretentious go with the waterweight champion. He has that additional incentive to keep hustling all the time and his worthy young man will be greatly encouraged.

Soldier Ambitious.

Owens Phillips, the "Terrible Soldier," who is matched with Nic Rose in one of the preliminaries, is all swelled up with this chance to prove that he is a sure-enough rascal. Phillips once thought he had mistaken his calling and should have taken to the mat instead of the army, but he was thrown a couple of times, and since then he has been yearning to find out just what his mission in life might be. If he wins tonight his worthy young man will be greatly encouraged.

Murray Has Trimmings.

Mike Murray, who did some grappling stunts last year, recently blossomed forth with a manager and forfeit money. Maybe these trimmings will help him to throw Young Hoover in another of the preliminaries. Hoover is an unknown quantity who has been developed by Mackey, but is reported to be unusually strong.

Andy Smith, of Baltimore, will tackle Bobbie Baker instead of Frank Huseman tonight. Huseman has a match in New York and that's why Baker got the job. Huseman is making arrangements to wrestle George Rothner, the lightweight champion, in this city in the near future, and there is little chance of his pitting him against Smith for some time.

The semi-windup is scheduled to be between Buck Talbert, of Washington, who wrestled here last year in several preliminaries, and Abe Daniels. They are announced that they would take the occasion tonight to decide which was the better man, as they wanted a jury of competent critics of wrestling.

HAMNER TRIO WON SET FROM CALDWELL THREE

In the Y. M. C. A. Bowling League last night, the Hamner trio took the set from Caldwell by good margins. Baker, of the winners, was high with 218.

The Caldwell score:
Caldwell..... 146 147 125
Euler..... 142 153 127
W. Baker..... 161 146 125
Totals..... 450 446 445

The Hamner score:
Hamner..... 151 215 158
B. Baker..... 152 152 146
Hamner..... 148 151 159
Totals..... 501 519 463

M'GRATH WAS STOPPED BY CLARENCE FORBES

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DELANEY ASSERTS
JEFF WON'T FIGHT

Writes Letter About Trip
to Champ's Home.

HAS THE FARMING BUG

Only Ambition Is to Buy More Acres
in California—Not So
Heavy.

By TAD.
NEW YORK, April 10.—Jim Jeffries, the retired heavyweight champion of the world, will not fight again regardless of what some persons may think or write.

There has been a bunch of dope handed out about the big fellow of late and for a while it looked as though they were going to sick him onto another pair of upholstered mitts, but that has faded with the latest developments.

Billy Delaney, the man who brought Jeff from his milk and bread to where he stood in the heavyweight division, is the only one to deny all rumors and state emphatically that the fighting days of the greatest fighter are at an end.

Delaney's Letter.

This is Delaney's letter:
My Dear Tad: Yours just received and will try and tell you what I think of Jeff's chances of fighting again.

When I was with Al Kaufman down South a while ago I took a trip over to see the big fellow with (Western) Al Smith. We took a rig and drove to the ranch and found Jeff out on the front porch talking to one of his neighbors. He had his dogs with him and was talking of both farms and hunting. He took us around his place. Showed us the surrounding country and said how he wanted to annex it to his, but that the people there wanted more money than he was willing to pay.

Won't Fight for Money.

I said: "Jim, you can get the land easily, if you want it." And he asked what I meant. I told him to get in the ring again and clean up that gang of four-flushers who were challenging him. It would be safe and would only take him a few months and he could get all the land as far as he could see.

Jeff was silent a minute and then, smiling, started to talk farms to us again. He never even returned to the fight talk, so I let it go at that. That's the way it stands and that's the way it will stand. He has the farm crazy, on and has made up his mind to make money that way. He never looked better in his life than he does right now. I have actually seen Jim go into the ring weighing more than he does today. He thinks of fights occasionally, but on the low-down, Tad, I don't think that he will pull on another glove.

Shooting Aspirations.

Jim would rather be champion pigeon shot of the world than the champion pugilist. He was just learning how to fight when he quit the business. That may sound a bit far-fetched, but I honestly think if that fellow was given a few more fights, he would have been the greatest man by far the world ever saw.

He is satisfied now, though. He has a good wife, and they are both very happy. I would not bother him talking fight. I saw the way his mind was working and thought that he knew as well as I did what the chances were for his fighting again.

Hope this is satisfactory. Remember me to the boys back there.
Yours,
BILLY DELANEY,
Oakland, Cal.

WHIPPED BY OFFICE CAT, TRAMP FELINE TRIES SUICIDE

WOODBURY, N. J., April 10.—After getting a thrashing in the office of the Constitution, a strange tom cat made what is believed to have been a deliberate attempt at suicide. When the animal wandered into the office it was pounced on by the office cat and soundly whipped. Fleeing to the second floor it prowled about a short time, and then, though not pursued, deliberately leaped through an open window, landing on the pavement below. It lay still where it fell, and was thought to be dead until a dog began sniffing about it, when it sprang up and fled.

FOUNDRY QUINT WINS
G. P. O. CHAMPIONSHIP

Took Two Games From Commercials,
Which Clinched Title—Addison
High With 189.

By defeating the Commercials last night in the final game of the series, Foundry clinched its hold on the Government Printing Office League championship. Foundry took the first and second by small margins. Addison, of the winners, was high, with 189.

In the District Duckpin League the Red Stars won two from the Arlington trio. Art Fenton, of the losers, was high, with 192.

Foundry..... 1st. 2d. 3d.
Brown..... 189 188 188
Spahn..... 178 173 173
Addison..... 175 151 188
Herbert..... 164 152 158
Cary..... 146 147 147
Totals..... 803 750 784

Commercials..... 1st. 2d. 3d.
Sturm..... 138 133 133
Holt..... 127 121 146
Peed..... 121 119 135
Clark..... 107 107 107
Totals..... 724 694 764

Red Star..... 1st. 2d. 3d.
Brook..... 100 76 96
Pearloff..... 78 76 96
O'Bannon..... 55 102 77
Sengstack..... 72 71 73
Saxty..... 59 58 59
Totals..... 465 416 496

Arlington..... 1st. 2d. 3d.
M. Fenton..... 89 83 78
Art Fenton..... 88 102 75
Naim..... 77 76 76
Al Fenton..... 84 59 89
Totals..... 411 406 394

CURE WAS OFF COLOR
IN BILLIARD TOURNEY

NEW YORK, April 10.—Ora Morningstar, of Rochester, Ind., defeated Louis Cure, the French expert, after an exciting match, in the first game of the 18.00 balk-line billiard tournament, for the championship of the world, which began last night in the concert hall at Madison Square Garden.

The score was 500 to 463. Morningstar going out in the 54th inning, with a run of 32. His average was 3.5-54, with a high run of 55. Cure's average was 2.8-53, a single run of 100 in the 24th inning.

Manager Clarke, of the Pittsburgh Club, thinks that his new first baseman, Nealon, is a wonder.

S. A. A. CHAMPIONSHIPS
WILL BE HELD MAY 9

Meet Scheduled for Benning Will Not
Conflict With Jacob Tome
Institute Games.

The date of May 12, which has been settled upon for the holding of the Southern championships of the A. A. U., at Benning, has been changed to June 3.

The reason for this change is that Jacob Tome Institute had, some time before, decided on the same date for the holding of its annual field and track games, and as the Washington high and preparatory schools have, since their institution, always sent a number of athletes down to Port Deposit, it was decided last night that a change of date would be acceptable to all. The games at the Maryland school have always been of the highest class, attracting the best scholastic competitors from Philadelphia, Baltimore, Alexandria, and Washington. The Southern championships also offered attractive inducements for athletes, and the general discontent which followed upon the announcement that the two tournaments conflicted, has been answered by the committee, in charge of the latter, most generously, by the mentioned change.

The Tome games should be patronized by even more Washington men than ever before, since the Philadelphia contingent, which usually are a great factor in point getting, will be unable to compete in them this year, because the annual inter-high and prep school games, held under the auspices of the athletic association, which comprises practically all the schools of Pennsylvania, will occur on the same date, May 12, and will, therefore, attract the best of the Philadelphia athletes.

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